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Your A 29. Anna Louise Strong may be issued passport only for direct and immediate return US provided she submits affidavit not now member CP, USA and has not been member past year. Passport authorized only when travel plans are complete. Wire travel plans and ETA.

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PT/LS 130 - Strong, Anna Louise

Drafted by: PPT:PT/LS:RMBURCKELL:co 7/18/62

Telegraphic transmission and classification approved by: PPT:FRANCES G. KNIGHT, DIRECTOR

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Circular airgram Sept 25, 1958 advises Moscow, Rangoon, Hong Kong & Tokyo of Strong's travel to China and requests passport be limited for return US only, based upon violation travel restrictions

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Anna Louise Strong may be leaving Communist China. If practicable take action proposed by Airgram B-1163, September 25, 1958.

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SY - Mr. E. Tomlin Bailey
Attention: Mr. C. Nettles

SEP 25 1958

PPT - Edward J. Hickey, Acting Director H/CMS

Anna Louise Strong

Reference is made to your memorandum of August 6, 1958 requesting transmission of any pertinent information coming to this Office's attention.

The Passport Office has received information that Miss Strong entered Communist China arriving at Peking on September 23, 1958. She is reportedly the guest of the Chinese Peoples Association for Cultural Relations and the Union of Chinese Writers.

The source of the above information was apparently an intercept of an NCNA broadcast from Peking.

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(F.Q.K.)

PT/LS-130-Strong, Anna Louise

PPT:JFBrooks:lf 9/25/58

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The Department has received information that Anna Louise Strong has entered Communist China arriving at Peking on Sept. 23, 1958. No information is available concerning point of exit or date of departure from China. Should Miss Strong exit through your area, you are requested to obtain her passport and validate it for return to US only. Action is based on violation of travel restrictions.

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Passport Files June 24, 1958

PT/LS - Carroll H. Seeley

Passport Cases of [redacted] Anna Louise STRONG, [redacted]

David Rein, a local attorney, telephoned at 10:20 a.m. on June 24, 1958 (National 8-4047) regarding the passport cases that he has in court, namely [redacted] Strong and [redacted]

I told him that at this time I could not give him a definite time when these passports would be issued. However, we were making every effort to complete action in these cases and if they were to be issued it would be done as soon as possible.

Rein stated that he wished to be informed when the passports in these cases will be issued. I told him that I would advise him. He will then contact the Justice attorneys involved and a precept or motion for dismissal would be made.

Mr. Rein was also very anxious about the [redacted] case and I told him that all cases to which it was found the Supreme Court decision applied would be reviewed and handled on an expedited basis.

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SCA Mr. Roderic L. O'Connor

APR 30 1958

PPT Edward J. Hickey

Passport Case of Anna Louise Strong

Reference is made to L's letter to the Department of Justice, forwarded to this office for clearance, in the case of Anna Louise Strong.

The Passport Office offers the following comments.

With respect to allegation 4, we would suggest that the word "largely", the characterization used in the complaint, be substituted for the word "solely" used in the letter.

We believe that the comments set forth in L's letter concerning allegation 9 of the complaint should also apply to allegations 7 and 8.

Pursuant to the suggestion of O/SC, there is forwarded herewith a copy of the transcript of the proceedings before the Board of Passport Appeals.

Attachments:
L's letter to Department of Justice,
with enclosures.
Copy of summons and complaint.
Original and one copy of transcript
of proceedings, Board of Passport Appeals.

A TRUE COPY OF THE SIGNED ORIGINAL.
(F.G.K.)

CC to: L - Colonel Raymond
CC to: O/SC - Mr. Sipes

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L - Mr. Raymond

DATE: April 28, 1958

FROM : O/SC - John W. Sipes

SUBJECT: Letter Justice re Case of Anna Louise Strong v. John Foster Dulles.

Your letter to Mr. John Walter Yeagley, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, Department of Justice, (with 30 attachments) was forwarded to this office by SCA for clearance.

In accordance with your suggestion, I am forwarding the file, together with a copy of this memorandum, to PPT, having cleared the referenced letter subject to the following comments:

I do not believe that allegation #10 in the Complaint should be unconditionally admitted. I think perhaps your letter should state that Paragraph #10 should be admitted except to the extent it purports to state that the substance of the confidential information was never disclosed to the plaintiff. Paragraph VI of the Secretary's Findings of Fact states that the substance of the confidential information was disclosed to the applicant. I do not think we should allow the pleadings, even implicitly, to contradict the Secretary's Findings.

In reviewing the material transmitted to the Justice Department, the Secretary's Findings of Fact do not appear to be included. I think this is a relevant document which should be forwarded. Also, since the Justice Department has requested the Transcript of Proceedings, you may wish to transmit the Exhibits to the Transcript, expecially Exhibit #3 which is the transcript of the informal hearing held in the Passport Office. Since the original Transcript may have to be submitted later in court, I would suggest that at this time a carbon of the Transcript be furnished to Justice for working purposes. The Passport Office would have available such a copy of the Board of Passport Appeals' Transcript although there is only one set of Exhibits available.

I am returning the memorandum of April 11, 1958, from Miss Knight to Mr. Becker, together with Summons and Complaint in the [redacted] case, which were apparently included in the Strong materials by mistake.

Attachments as stated.

cc: SCA

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O/SC:JWSipes:tl
4-28-58

SCA - Mr. O'Connor
Attention: Mr. Hipsley

November 7, 1957

O/SC - John W. Sipes

STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

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On September 25, 1957, at the request of this office, SCA made inquiry of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning the availability of certain documentary evidence in this case for use in proceedings before the Board of Passport Appeals. The hearing date had not then been set.

The STRONG cas has now been scheduled for hearing on November 26, 1957, and we would like to have the available material for study and organization by November 18, 1957, if possible. Would you please pass this information along to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

O/SC:LAMoyer,Jr.:ti
11-7-57

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SCA - Mr. O'Connor
Attention: Mr. Colombo

September 18, 1957

O/SC - John W. Sipes

STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

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As you may know, Miss Strong's attorneys have now filed an appeal with the Board of Passport Appeals.

During proceedings in the Passport Office, certain evidence was placed in the open record, including numerous copies of her own publication, "Today". It appears from the files, however, that considerable additional material (noted in FBI reports) should and can be made available for the open record as an aid in any subsequent litigation in the Courts. We will soon send you memoranda requesting specific material from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and SY.

In the meantime it would be appreciated if SCA could check the files of the appropriate Congressional Committees for documentation concerning Miss Strong and obtain photostats thereof for our use. We are not so much interested in testimony before the Committees but in letterheads, flyers, pamphlets, etc., showing her close connections with Communist organizations and publications, and adherence to the Communist Party line.

We would appreciate early advice as to the availability of any such material, and the nature thereof.

O/SC:LAMoyer,Jr.:ti
9-18-57

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Passport Files

June 12, 1957

PT/LS - Robert D. Johnson

Passport Cases of: Anna Louise STRONG,

Mr. Leonard B. Boudin telephoned at 11:45 a.m. on June 12, 1957 to discuss the following passport cases:

3) Anna Louise STRONG — Mr. Boudin said he had received a long distance call yesterday from Anna Louise Strong. She had been in to see him a year ago and now called him about her obtaining a passport. Mr. Boudin pointed out to her that he had been replaced by other counsel, however, he would look into the matter for her. He then called Mr. Isidore Needleman (Miss Strong's attorney). Mr. Boudin said that there was no doubt that Miss Strong is a member of the Communist Party inasmuch as she had admitted such membership at one time. I told Mr. Boudin that I had heard just yesterday that a decision would soon be made, however, I would check into this case and notify him at a later date.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Administrator

~~Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs~~

This document consists of 1 pages.
It is No. 1 of 6 copies, Series A.

May 3, 1957

TO: L - Mr. John Raymond

Subject: Anna Louise Strong - Passport Case.

There is attached passport file of the above-named subject together with the memorandum of transmittal addressed to this Bureau from the Passport Office and a letter addressed to Mrs. Strong advising her of the Department's final determination to deny her passport facilities and her right of appeal to the Board of Passport Appeals.

This Bureau, after review of the entire file, is of the opinion that Mrs. Strong should be denied passport facilities. It is this Bureau's further belief that because of Mrs. Strong's age and her background, her attorney may see fit to take this case to the courts, either before requesting a hearing with the Board of Passport Appeals or after such a hearing, should it still be determined to deny her passport facilities.

This Bureau therefore requests your views and comments with respect to the action contemplated, i.e., final refusal to grant Mrs. Strong a passport after a tentative refusal and an informal hearing.

In that the attorney in this case is complaining of the delay it would be appreciated if you would give this matter your urgent consideration.

Scott McLeod
Administrator

Attachments:

1. Proposed ltr. to Anna Louise Strong
2. Passport file of Anna Louise Strong
3. SY file of Anna Louise Strong
4. Transcript of hearing of 10/30/56.
5. Original of memo from Knight, PPT to McLeod, SCA re Anna Louise Strong, dated 4/10/57.

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No. 5 of 5 Series A.

SCA - Mr. Scott McLeod

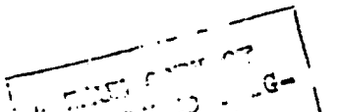
PPT - Frances G. Knight

APR 10 1957

Passport Case of Anna Louise STRONG

There is transmitted herewith for necessary clearances a final refusal letter in the case of Anna Louise Strong.

Miss Strong has been an apologist for the Soviet Union all during her lifetime. In view of the 94 page FBI report of April 4, 1952 (Tab A) no separate summary of information was deemed necessary.



Attachments:
1) Letter to Anna Louise Strong.
2) Passport File of Anna Louise Strong.
3) SI file of Anna Louise Strong.
4) Transcript of hearing of 10/30/56.

PPT:RMBurckell:cl 4/3/57

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SY - Mr. E. Tomlin Bailey
Attention: Mr. Skoug

PPT - Frances G. Knight K/Cuis

SEP 18 1958

STRONG, Anna Louise

Reference is made to SY's memorandum of August 6, 1958 concerning Anna Louise Strong who, it was reported, planned to depart for Stockholm on a trip which would include travel to the Soviet Union and (Communist) China.

PPT has not received any information relating to Miss Strong's activities abroad or her attendance at the Stockholm Peace Conference. In the event any information is received, SY will be promptly advised.

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IN[illegible].
(F.G.K.)

PT/LS-130-Strong, Anna Louise

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PPT:RMBurckell:lf 9/18/58
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L Mr. Loftus E. Becker

DATE: April 11, 1958

FROM : PPT Frances G. Knight K

SUBJECT: Passport Case - Anna Louise STRONG

There are transmitted herewith the Summons and Complaint in the civil action filed by Miss Strong against the Secretary in the United States District Court. Service was made at 2:35 p.m. today (April 11, 1958). The passport folder and allied material are also forwarded herewith.

Attachments:

Summons and Complaint (Civil Action No. 912-58) United States District Court for the District of Columbia, Anna Louise Strong, Plaintiff v. John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, Defendant; Forer & Rein, Attorneys (Filed April 9, 1958)

Passport folder, Anna Louise Strong, with material added by O/SC (2 vols.)
Hearing Transcript, Board of Passport Appeals
Exhibit Folders, Board of Passport Appeals (3 vols.)

cc: (memo only) SCA - O/SC

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SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION D. C. For

United States District Court

FOR THE

District of Columbia

CIVIL DIVISION

CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 912

PASSPORT OFFICE
APR 11 1958

ANNA LOUISE STRONG

Plaintiff

v.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES
SECRETARY OF STATE

Defendant

SUMMONS

To the above named Defendant :

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon

Forer & Rein

plaintiff's attorney , whose address is 711-14th St.,N. W., Wash, D. C.,

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within 60 days after servic

of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by defau

will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

MARY M. COLE

Clerk of Court

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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SUMMONS

ANNA LOUISE STRONG

Plaintiff

v.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES
SECRETARY OF STATE

Defendant

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Clerk of Court

Deputy Clerk

Date:

Apr. 9th, 1958

[Seal of Court]

NOTE—This summons is issued pursuant to

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ANNA LOUISE STRONG
724 East Edgeware Road
Los Angeles, California,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 912-58

JOHN FOSTER DULLES,
SECRETARY OF STATE,
Department of State
Washington, D. C.,

Defendant.

COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND INJUNCTION

The plaintiff, Anna Louise Strong, by her attorneys, complaining of the defendant, John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, alleges:

1. The Court has jurisdiction of this action under sections 11-30 and 11-306 of the District of Columbia Code; under section 10 of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U. S. Code, section 1009; and under 28 U. S. Code, section 2201.

2. The defendant, John Foster Dulles, is Secretary of State of the United States, and is charged by law with the duty of issuing passports to citizens of the United States.

3. The plaintiff is a citizen of the United States.

4. The plaintiff is, and for many years has been, a foreign correspondent, journalist, author and lecturer, deriving her income in large part from her pursuit of these professions. She specializes in writing and lecturing on international affairs and foreign countries, and it is essential to the successful pursuit of her professions that she frequently travel abroad.

5. Plaintiff has traveled and lived abroad on numerous occasions since about 1896. She has continuously held American passports between about 1921 and 1950.

6. On June 1, 1955, plaintiff applied to the Passport Office for a passport, in order that she might travel abroad to be a foreign correspondent and to assist the pursuit of her professions.

7. On July 1, 1955, the Passport Office tentatively denied plaintiff's passport application. A so-called "informal hearing" was held before the Passport Office on October 30, 1956. Plaintiff appeared at such hearing, answered all questions put to her, and testified to the purpose of her intended travel abroad. No witnesses were produced in opposition to plaintiff's application.

8. On July 25, 1957, the Passport Office made a final denial of plaintiff's passport application, stating that such denial was made "under Section 51.135(b), as amplified by Section 51.141, and under Section 51.135(c) of the Passport Regulations." Attached hereto, marked Exhibit A, is a copy of the Passport Regulations, including the sections referred to. Said denial of the passport application expressly stated that it was based on undisclosed information as well as on the information disclosed at the so-called hearing.

9. Plaintiff appealed to the Board of Passport Appeals, and a so-called hearing was held before the Board on December 4, 1957. Plaintiff appeared at that hearing, answered all questions put to her, and testified as to the purpose of her intended travel abroad. No witnesses were produced in opposition to plaintiff's application.

10. On March 21, 1958, the defendant issued a formal decision and findings whereby he denied plaintiff's passport application "under Section 51.135(b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations," on the basis of both the "open record" and "confidential information" which was never disclosed to the plaintiff.

11. The defendant's decision was based on alleged associations of plaintiff; on views expressed by plaintiff in writings and lectures and disapproved of by defendant; on plaintiff's having lectured before or havin

refusal to issue her a passport is unconstitutional and illegal, enjoin defendant from continuing to refuse to issue a passport to plaintiff, directing defendant to issue forthwith a passport to plaintiff in standa form and for standard duration, and granting such other and further relie as may be just and proper.

Joseph Forer
Joseph Forer

David Rein
David Rein

FORER & REIN
711 14th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : PPT - Miss Knight
Attention: Mr. Johnson

DATE: March 25, 1958

FROM : O/SC - John W. Sipes

SUBJECT: STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

PASSPORT OFFICE
MAR 26 1958
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Per w/Burkarton's
memo dated 2/4/84

On July 25, 1957, PPT disapproved the passport application of Anna Louise Strong under the provisions of Section 51.135 (b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations.

After review of further proceedings before the Board of Passport Appeals, the Secretary has denied the application on the same grounds, and Counsel for Miss Strong has been furnished a copy of the Secretary's decision and findings of fact.

I am returning the complete record in this case with the exception of the security file which has been returned to SY.

Attachments:
Passport File, Anna Louise Strong, with material added by O/SC (2 vols.);

Hearing Transcript, Board of Passport Appeals, original and 2 copies;

Exhibit Folders, Board of Passport Appeals, originals only (3 vols.).

O/SC:LAMoyer,Jr.:ti
3-25-58

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SY - Mr. Bailey

March 25, 1958

O/SC - John W. Sipes

STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

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I am returning the SY file on Anna Louise Strong which we have had for some time. We have added certain FBI reports received directly from SY or through PPT.

The Secretary has disapproved Miss Strong's passport application under the provisions of Section 51.135 (b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations. The complete record in this matter, including findings of fact made by the Secretary, will be available in PPT. We appreciate the cooperation and assistance that SY gave us in this case.

Attachment:
Security File.

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O/SC:LAMoyer,Jr.:ti
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March 21, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

Subject: STRONG, Anna Louise - Passport Case

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After an adverse decision by the Passport Office under the Communist provisions of our regulations, this case was heard by the Board of Passport Appeals on December 4, 1957.

The Board has also reached the conclusion that Miss Strong's application should be disapproved under the provisions of Section 51.135 (b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations. The decision of the Board has been prepared in the form of a recommendation (TAB B) and proposed findings (TAB A) for adoption and signature by you. Findings of fact are required by Court decisions.

The recommended decision and proposed findings have been discussed with and reviewed by the Legal Adviser's Office and the Department of Justice.

Recommendation: That you approve the Board's recommendation and adopt the proposed decision and findings by signing TAB A.

Loy W. Henderson

Clearances: Legal Adviser
Mr. Becker

Attachments:

TAB B - Recommendation of Board of Passport Appeals

TAB A - Proposed decision and findings

Transcript of Proceedings before Board of Passport Appeals

Folders of Exhibits introduced for open record (3)

Passport file (2 folders)

Security file

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : O - Mr. Henderson

DATE: MAR 21 1958

FROM : O/SC - John W. Sipes

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SUBJECT: STRONG, Anna Louise - Passport Case

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You are familiar with the Strong passport case. The attached folder contains the adverse decision of the Board of Passport Appeals which has been prepared in the form of a recommendation to the Secretary (TAB A) and proposed findings for adoption and signature by the Secretary. (TAB B) In preparing these findings, the Board has taken into consideration the informal views of the Legal Adviser's Office and the Department of Justice.

The Justice Department, supported by the Legal Adviser's Office, requested that the Board consider whether findings adverse to Strong could be made exclusively on the open record, thereby avoiding the troublesome issue of confidential information. The Board felt that the exclusion of confidential information would seriously weaken the case and that it would be unwise to risk the loss of the case on substantive grounds in order to avoid a procedural issue already in the process of litigation for the following reasons: (1) the Department has proceeded thus far, to the knowledge of the applicant, in reliance, in part, on confidential information; (2) the Board would appear to be bound by the Regulations to consider all of the evidence before it; and (3) present law (which the Government is currently defending in the Supreme Court) upholds the use of confidential information.

The folder also contains a draft memorandum from you to the Secretary recommending approval of the Board's recommendation and adoption of the proposed findings. The formal clearance of the Legal Adviser should be obtained as noted on the face of the memorandum. This memorandum may not be in the exact form desired by S/S. In the recent Willcox case, the memorandum was changed to omit reference to attachments and to include comments as to those portions of the findings containing conclusions. I did not think such action was necessary or advisable. The proposed findings, if adopted, are those of the Secretary. In my opinion, because of legal considerations, the file should contain no indication or suggestion that the Secretary did not read the complete findings with the full record available to him.

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If you have any questions concerning the proceedings in this case, I will be glad to discuss the matter with you.

Attachments:
Folder containing Board's decision (TABS A & B) and memorandum from Mr. Henderson to the Secretary;

Transcript of Proceedings before Board of Passport Appeals;

Folder of Exhibits introduced for open record (3);

Passport file (2 folders);

Security file.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE. DATE: March 17, 1958

FROM : O/SC - John W. Sipes

SUBJECT: STRONG, Anna Louise - Passport Case.

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The Board met today on the question raised by representatives of the Internal Security Division, Justice Department, and the Legal Adviser's Office concerning the findings in subject case. (See my memorandum for the file of even date.)

As agreed, I raised with the Board the question of whether it felt that, on the record before it, it could make findings adverse to Miss Strong on the basis of the open record without giving any weight whatsoever to the confidential information. The Board felt that it would be quite a task to weigh the various issues in this case disregarding all of the elements of confidential information, but generally was of the opinion that the case would be a very thin one and would be substantially weakened, to say the least. With regard to the propriety of the Board making findings on the open record exclusively, the Board felt strongly that it was bound by the regulations of the Secretary of State to take into account the entire record, including confidential information, and that, especially in view of the fact that that practice has been upheld by the courts, it should, until instructed otherwise by the Secretary, continue to do so. The Board also noted that it would be bad administrative practice, having proceeded for many months in dealings with the applicant on the basis that the Board and the Department generally had in its possession confidential information which it was considering, and having advised the applicant of numerous allegations based, in part, on such information, to now attempt findings based exclusively on the open record. The Board felt that the dangers of such a course, assuming it could be followed, would be greater than the advantage to be gained by avoiding the confidential information issue. The Board recognized that there might well be a case where the applicant's adherence to the Communist Party was so notorious and avowed that no reference would need to be made to any confidential information the Department might have. However, in such a case the Department should proceed from the outset to consider only matters in the open record.

The Board instructed me to proceed with the findings along the lines originally contemplated by the Board and to prepare appropriate

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transmittal memoranda indicating that the above suggestion had been given consideration and rejected, noting that the Legal Adviser's Office might, on its own motion or on the advice of the Justice Department, prepare findings based exclusively on the open record, if they believed these could be sustained in court, and recommend that the Secretary adopt them in lieu of the Board's recommended findings.

The above matter was considered by the Board after a meeting requested by a representative of the Internal Security Division, Justice Department, resulting from the Board's insistence that should the Legal Adviser's Office plan to consult with the Justice Department that this consultation be held prior to the finalizing of the Board's findings, the Legal Adviser's Office having previously approved the findings of the Board with minor suggestions of changes in language. (See memorandum from Mr. Becker, L, dated February 28.

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TO : MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE. DATE: March 17, 1958

FROM : C/SC - John W. Sipes

SUBJECT: STRONG, Anna Louise - Passport Case.

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At the request of Mr. Keegan, L, I met with him and Mr. Waterman of the Internal Security Division, Justice Department, on the preliminary coordination of the Board's findings in the subject case.

After making several minor suggestions, Mr. Waterman took the position that it would be better, from a legal standpoint, if the Board were to decide the case on the open record, placing no reliance on confidential information. It is Mr. Waterman's opinion, on the basis of the draft findings of fact, (He has not read the voluminous record of the case.) that the Department could successfully defend a denial of passport facilities to Strong on the basis of the open record alone, placing primary reliance on Strong's writings during the period subsequent to 1949.

I pointed out that without the confidential information in this case it would be difficult to demonstrate that Strong was under the domination, direction or control of the Communist movement at present or within the near-past, as is required by the regulations. I also pointed out that primary reliance on Strong's writings would raise, perhaps unnecessarily, the First Amendment issue although perhaps avoiding the confidential information issue.

Mr. Waterman at one point suggested that we might be able to delay the case until after the Supreme Court decision in the Dayton case. He noted that the Justice Department was reluctant to meet the issue of confidential information if it could be avoided since it had been so unsuccessful in this area thus far. Mr. Keegan seemed to agree that the case would be stronger from a litigation standpoint if it could be decided solely on the grounds of information in the open record, and expressed the desire to litigate a "Communist case" where no issue of confidential information was involved.

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The Justice Department and "L" representatives requested me to raise with the Board of Passport Appeals the question of whether findings could be made in support of a decision to deny passport facilities to Strong without placing any reliance on confidential information.

I expressed the position that if confidential information were omitted the case would be, to say the least, greatly weakened, and I had serious doubts whether the Board could properly find against Strong on the open record alone, at least within the exact terms of the regulations as required by the Boudin case. I agreed, however, to raise this matter with the Board, noting that the findings would, of course, have to be rewritten and all references in the record to the consideration of confidential information expunged, etc. I stated that from a legal standpoint, pending the Supreme Court's decision in the Dayton case, it would seem far better to rely on both the open record and confidential information and if we lose on the latter issue, to seek to deny on the open record alone in view of the limitation placed upon us by the Court; than to base the denial on the open record alone and if we lose under the Shachtman rule, to then try to deny by adding reliance on confidential information. The Justice Department and "L" representatives were inclined to agree that of these two alternatives the first was preferable. Of course I did not disagree with the general proposition that if you have an exceptionally strong case for denial without utilizing confidential information such denial would more likely be upheld in the courts than if you threw in gratuitous references to confidential information. I did not feel, however, that that is the situation in this case.

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TO : Mr. Becker

DATE: February 17, 1958

FROM : John W. Sipes

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SUBJECT: Anna Louise STRONG - Passport Case

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The Board of Passport Appeals held a hearing in the subject case on December 4, 1957. Strong appeared in person but rebutted little of the information introduced by the Department. The record has now been closed, and the Board has met and decided to recommend against the issuance of a passport to Strong under Section 51.135 (b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations.

I have prepared draft findings as instructed by the Board. Prior to the Board's consideration thereof, I believe it would be desirable to coordinate preliminarily and informally with your Office.

I am forwarding the complete case file together with the draft findings.

As you may know, Miss Strong's attorney has already advised the Secretary that he is considering instituting litigation to require the issuance of a passport pending the Department's decision.

Attachments:

1. Draft findings of fact (2)
2. Passport File (2 vols.)
3. Security File
4. Transcript before PAB
5. Exhibits before PAB (3 vols.)

cc: SCA - Mr. O'Connor

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SCA - Mr. O'Connor

January 30, 1958

O/SC - John W. Sipes

STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

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I am attaching a copy of the transcript of proceedings in the Strong case for transmittal to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Washington Field Office of the FBI has expressed an interest in this matter.

Exhibits introduced during the proceedings are included with the original transcript, and are available in my office for review by representatives of the Washington Field Office.

The Board of Passport Appeals has not yet prepared its findings and recommendation to the Secretary.

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Copy of Transcript of Proceedings.

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SY - Mr. Bailey
Attention: Mr. Henry

November 7, 1957

O/SC - John W. Sipes

STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

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I have further reference to the STRONG case, pending hearing before the Board of Passport Appeals.

The case has now been scheduled for hearing on November 26, 1957. It would, therefore, be appreciated if the remaining exhibits being obtained by SY could be made available to us for study and organization no later than November 18, 1957.

It would also be appreciated if SY could research the following additional references, and obtain photostats or reproductions of the items concerned for our use:

Daily Worker, 9-14-42, p. 7; STRONG signer of statement for second front by "League of American Writers".

Daily Worker, 5-25-48, p. 13; STRONG participant in "Masses and Mainstream" demonstration against Mundt Bill.

Called O. Henry 11/12/57. Rec'd NY Herald Tribune also. [illegible]

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SY - Mr. Bailey
Attention: Mr. Otepka

September 20, 1957

O/SC - John W. Sipes

STRONG, Anna Louise
(Passport Case)

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STRONG was recently denied passport facilities by PPT under Section 51.135, sub-sections (b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations, and her attorneys have now filed an appeal with the Board of Passport Appeals.

During proceedings in PPT, some evidence was presented for the open record, including numerous copies of STRONG'S own publication, "Today". A review of the available FBI reports indicates, however, that considerable additional information of a public nature could and should be offered for the open record as an aid in any subsequent litigation in the Courts. While findings of fact may be made by the Board and the Secretary on classified material, it is believed advisable by the Department and the Department of Justice to base them, where possible, on evidence contained in the record to be submitted for Court review. In this connection, we have asked SCA to obtain certain documentation from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and appropriate Congressional Committees. Additionally, it would be appreciated if SY could research the following references to various publications, and obtain photostats or reproductions of the articles or items concerned for use during the hearing before the Board. If the cost factor should constitute any problem, please advise me promptly and I will discuss the problem with Mr. Henderson. The Department will have to make some provision for acquiring material of this nature. While we have not yet set a date for the hearing, expeditious action will be necessary.

Daily Worker

✓ D.W., 12-24-31, p. 3; STRONG contributor.

✓ D.W., 12-21-35, p. 3; STRONG contributor to Sunday Worker.

✓ D.W., 1-13-37; announcement that STRONG would be honored at testimonial banquet that evening upon arrival from Madrid battlefront, proceeds to go to the "Defenders of Spanish Democracy".

✓ D.W., 4-26-38, p. 6; STRONG speaker at convention of International Workers

Workers Order.

✓ D.W., 2-26-40; p. 4; STRONG attended Defense Rally of the "New Masses".

✓ D.W., 9-29-47, p. 6; STRONG contributor on Korea.

✓ D.W., 10-30-47, p. 6; STRONG contributor.

✓ D.W., 1-7-48, p. 2; STRONG contributor.

✓ D.W., 1-21-48; biography eulogized.

✓ D.W., 11-22-48, p. 10; STRONG'S book, "Tomorrows China", praised by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn.

✓ D.W., 1-3-49; carried article "First Installment Tomorrows China" by STRONG.

✓ D.W., 6-1-55; carried advertisement announcing reception in honor of and address by STRONG to be held at Yugoslav-American Home, NYC, under auspices of "National Council of American-Soviet Friendship."

✓ D.W., 6-9-55; reported that STRONG attended and spoke at above-mentioned reception on 6-7-55.

✓ D.W., 6-3-56; announced public forum featuring STRONG as speaker 6-12-56 at the Pythian, under auspices of "National Council of American-Soviet Friendship".

✓ D.W., 6-8-56; carried editorial "Welcome, Miss STRONG." Apologized for injustices of past few years.

✓ D.W., 6-14-56; story by Ben Levine, "Over 1000 New Yorkers Welcome Anna Louise STRONG".

✓ D.W., 6-17-56; story entitled "Miss STRONG talks on Khrushchev's report".

The Worker

✓ The Worker, 9-9-56, p. 5; article stating STRONG to speak on "Stalin and After", 9-22-56, at Masonic Temple Bldg., under auspices of the "Chicago Council of American-Soviet Friendship."

Daily Peoples World

D.P.W., 2-25-41; STRONG scheduled to speak at meeting 3-3-41 at Manhattan Center, NYC, under auspices of the "American Council on Soviet Relations."

D.P.W., 10-7-43; noted that STRONG and Holland Roberts, President of "American Russian Institute", would conduct seminar of ten lectures in San Francisco under auspices of ARI.

D.P.W., 3-19-46; carried article announcing that STRONG would speak at Scottish Rite Auditorium, S.F., 3-23-46, under auspices of ARI.

D.P.W., 8-27-46; STRONG contributor.

D.P.W., 8-28-46; STRONG contributor.

D.P.W., 10-23-46; STRONG contributor.

D.P.W., 10-29-46; STRONG contributor.

D.P.W., 11-21-46; STRONG contributor.

D.P.W., 1-27-47; STRONG contributor.

D.P.W., 10-1-47; reprinted article by STRONG on Korea that had appeared in current issue of "Soviet Russia Today."

D.P.W., 6-8-56; "Miss STRONG to report on Stalin."

D.P.W., 6-11-56; "STRONG takes Khruschev Text with a Grain of Reserve."

D.P.W., 11-8-56, p. 5; article "An Eyewitness Writes of the Stalin Era."

New Masses

N.M., 1-26-37, p. 4; STRONG contributor.

N.M., 4-19-38, p. 7; STRONG contributor.

N.M., 6-28-38, p. 15; STRONG contributor.

Masses and Mainstream

✓ M & M, May 1948 issue; STRONG contributor of article, "Farmer Li."

Soviet Russia Today

✓ SRI, March 1935, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, April 1935, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, May 1935, p. 11; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, June 1935, p. 6; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, July 1935, p. 11; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, September 1935, p. 12; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, October 1935, p. 28; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, November 1935, p. 32; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, December 1935, p. 7; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, January 1936, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, February 1936, p. 13; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, May 1937, p. 36; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, November 1937, p. 20; STRONG contributor.

SRI, March 1938, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, May 1938, p. 26; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, January 1939, p. 17; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, February 1939, p. 8; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, March 1939, p. 17; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, October 1939, p. 13; STRONG contributor.

✓ SRI, November 1939, p. 22; STRONG contributor.

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SRI, March 1941, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

SRI, May 1941, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

SRI, August 1941, p. 10; STRONG contributor.

SRI, September 1941, p. 9; STRONG contributor.

SRI, October 1941, p. 12; STRONG contributor.

SRI, November 1941, p. 18; STRONG contributor.

SRI, December 1941, p. 9; STRONG contributor.

SRI, June 1942, p. 33, 34; STRONG'S book, "The Soviets Expected It", offered free with new subscriptions to "Soviet Russia Today". On page 34, STRONG listed as speaker on USSR, available through Speakers Bureau, American Council on Foreign Relations.

SRI, March 1944, p. 12; STRONG contributor.

SRI, October 1945; STRONG contributor.

SRI, November 1945; STRONG contributor.

SRI, December 1945; STRONG contributor.

SRI, March 1946; STRONG contributor.

SRI, October 1947; STRONG contributor.

SRI, November 1947; STRONG contributor.

SRI, December 1947; STRONG contributor.

SRI, April 1948; STRONG contributor.

SRI, December 1948; STRONG contributor.

SRI, January 1949; STRONG contributor.

SRI, February 1949; STRONG contributor.

National Guardian

N.G., issue November 15, 1948; STRONG contributor.

N.C., issue June 28, 1949; carried name of STRONG as one of its correspondents.

N.C., issue of September 10, 1956; in calendar on page 7, carried announcement that STRONG would speak on "Stalin and After" on 9-27-56 in Chicago.

Political Affairs

P.A., issue of June 1941; carries article by STRONG "Eight Route Regions in North China."

P.A., issue of February 1949; STRONG'S book, "Tomorrow's China", prominently advertised on inside of front cover.

Far East Spotlight

F.E.S., issue June 1948; STRONG member Board of Directors of Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.

Miscellaneous References to Reputable Publications:

The "San Francisco Chronicle", 4-15-41; STRONG main speaker at ARI rally, S.F.

The "San Francisco Chronicle", 3-29-48; carried article of press conference with Strong on that date. She reportedly contended that the then recent Czechoslovakian coup was not Russian sponsored.

The "San Francisco News", 3-29-48; carried article reporting that STRONG would share platform with Soviet Consul Constantin A. Efremov at meeting sponsored by ARI, 3-30-48, at S.F.

The "Los Angeles Times", 6-18-56; carried article captioned "Talk by Mrs. F.D.R. to Friend of Red China Told", sub-captioned "Anna Louise Strong Urging U.S. to Desert Chiang, Morgenthau, Diaries Show."

The "Oregon Journal", Portland Newspaper, issue 4-14-42; carried announcement that STRONG would speak in Portland on 4-16-42 at

meeting

meeting sponsored by National Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

The "Oregonian", Portland Daily Newspaper, 1-11-51; reported interview with STRONG by staff writer Paul F. Ewing wherein she was quoted as opposing U.S. intervention in Korea and stated that U.S. soldiers have ruined Asia but that North Korean and Chinese troops have caused very little destruction.

The "Oregonian", 1-12-51; same writer reported on a panel forum sponsored by World Affairs Council of Oregon, held at Reed College . . . . STRONG quoted as saying that "Asian people are learning that a country grows strong not weak through revolution."

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The "New York Herald Tribune", 4-14-49; quoted letter signed by National Secretary of Civil Rights Congress, stating that STRONG had offered a check for use by them in the case of the "Trenton 6" which was gladly accepted.

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The "New York Times", 3-27-49, p. 1; STRONG participant in Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace.

The "Chicago Daily Tribune", 3-5-55, page 9, col. 3, part 1; carried article entitled "Russia Clears Anna STRONG of Spy Charge". In article was paragraph reflecting that Budenz told Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee in 1951 that STRONG was a Communist.

"Time Magazine", 6-20-55, p. 74; contains pertinent article re STRONG'S rehabilitation by Soviets.

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TO : O/SC - Mr. John W. Sipes

DATE: AUG 22 1957

FROM : PPT - Frances G. Knight

SUBJECT: Anna Louise Strong

Pursuant to your oral request there is transmitted herewith the Passport and SY folders in the case of Anna Louise Strong.

Attachments:
Passport folders Nos. 1 and 2
Transcript of Informal Hearing including Exhibits
SY file No. 39-19055

SY file also obtained - Law 8/24/57

CENTRAL RECORDS AUG 22 1957

cc: memo to SY - Mr. Kagan

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TO : SY - Dennis A. Flinn

DATE: August 18, 1955

FROM : PPT - Frances G. Knight FK

SUBJECT: Passport case of Anna Louise STRONG

There is attached the passport file of Anna Louise Strong who is applying for a new passport. The passport office feels that in view of Miss Strong's activities over a period of many years a passport should be refused to her under the provisions of section 51.135 of the Passport Regulations. Your evaluation of the case would be appreciated.

Attachment:
Passport file.

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ANNA LOUISE STRONG

Membership in the Communist Party commencing in the middle 1930's. Notwithstanding her arrest and expulsion from the Soviet in 1949, Miss Strong professed to others that she considered herself as affiliated with the world Communist movement. She was exonerated by the Soviets in 1955 and once again enjoys a favorable press in Communist publications.

Miss Strong has actively participated, to the date of the most recent information, in the affairs of a number of Communist oriented organizations and her writings and speeches both prior and subsequent to her expulsion from Russia have consistently served to propagate Communist principles and doctrines.

Miss Strong was denied passport facilities under Section 51.135 (b) and (c) of the Passport Regulations.

Miss Strong has a pending application which was filed on June 1, 1955. Two photographs submitted at that time are in file and the passport fee has not been returned.

Miss Strong's case is squarely with the scope of the Kent-Briehl, Dayton decisions and a passport will have to be issued when the Court's mandate is received.

Miss Strong was represented by Joseph Forer and David Rein of the firm of Forer and Rein, 711 14th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

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